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Hongkong, April 23, 1907. 739

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Hongkong, January 26, 1907. 118

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CHEUNG TO CHAI,

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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 9, Kowloon Terrace, Kowloon.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 1, Park View, Lytton Road.

Meetings.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club at City Hall.

4.30 p.m.—Meeting of Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., at Head Office, Shanghai.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 27:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Furniture, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sale Rooms, Kowloon.

11 a.m.—Auction of Wines and Spirits, &c., at Messrs Hughes & Houghton's Sale Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at 'Glencarnal,' No. 13, Macdonnell Road.

Noon—Meeting of China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

12.45 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

MONDAY, April 29:—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 4, Observatory Villa, Kowloon.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the Public Works Department's Office, Goods per *Malacca* undelivered after 4 p.m. this date will be landed.

Goods per *Lennox* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, April 30:—

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall. Goods per *Pavia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, May 1:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at 'Fairview,' No. 1, Robinson Road. Goods per *Bayern* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, May 8:—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1907.

SUBSIDIARY COINAGE.

The suggestions in regard to placing

the coinage of the Colony on a sound

basis which were contained in a letter

from a valued correspondent which we

published last evening are deserving of

the earnest attention of the Government.

Apparently at the present time the

Hongkong small coins are worth so

little intrinsically that it would not

pay the Chinese to export them. That

being so it seems to us that the scheme

outlined might be developed and carried

out successfully. An announcement

might be made by the Government that

after a certain date the presentation of

Chinese coins in payment within the

Colony should be an offence punishable

by fine, half of which should be payable

to the informer. It should not be difficult

to pass a short measure empowering the

authorities to take action in this

direction. The only weak point, if it be

one, that we can detect is in reference to

the Government making British subsidiary

coins redeemable at par. In what

direction would the immediate result

be the exportation of these coins. That

of course would at once sweep

away the discount on British subsidiary

coins but it would decidedly involve

loss to the Colony. If the dollar is of

a proportionate value to the subsidiary

going our objection disappears, but in

that case we fail to see what motive

the Chinese would have for exchanging

coins of a convenient size for dollars.

However our correspondent has no

doubt thought of this objection, if it

exists, and has a method of overcoming

it. The next thing to do is to stir the

Government to action. That is not so

easily done. But the community has

fortunately its unofficial representatives

in the Legislative Council and no doubt

these gentlemen will realise that the

importance of the subject warrants

them in taking exceptional measures to

obtain from the Government some

definition of its policy—if it has one.

It is lamentable that things have been

allowed to drift so long and that so

many firms have been penalised because

the Government either cannot or will

not remedy matters. We sincerely trust

that the *laissez faire* attitude will be abandoned without delay and that the Government will promptly take some steps to put an end to the enormous losses which Hongkong merchants and traders have been compelled to sustain for such a length of time. Naturally a revolution cannot be worked in a day, but the sooner the question is tackled the sooner it will be mastered, and we hope the Government will be able to devise some means to avoid much loss and at the same time give the Hongkong coin par value.

In a recent speech at Home Mr Keir Hardie, M. P., declared that the object of the Labour Party was to abolish poverty. This is a modest ambition. We are not aware what Mr Keir Hardie's religious creed may be but he certainly cannot be a Christian. The founder of the Christian religion has laid it down that the poor shall always be with us. Mr Keir Hardie and his associates declare that poverty, when they achieve their ambition; will cease to exist. The pity of it is that the type of audience which listens to Mr Hardie's fatuous speeches is not intellectually capable of seeing that he is persuading them of the possibility of the impossible. If all the wealth in the world were equally divided a most shocking catastrophe would occur. The salary which Mr Hardie and the other Labour members receive from the optimistic people who fee them to hustle along the millenium would be materially reduced. Instead of abolishing poverty Socialism would spread it over a wider area. But it must be granted that the Labour Party has made a start. It has abolished poverty—as far as the Labour Party is concerned.

Commenting on the change of Governors at Ceylon the *Times of Ceylon* says that Sir Henry Blake is fully entitled to the rest and quietude of pension. Whether he was sent to Ceylon to mark time or not, add the paper, he took the cautious view immediately he came, and, although everything around him in business and planting life continued to throb with activity, and he did attempt to "get a move on," he found the Colonial Office in one of its most "dour" moods, and was unable to successfully impress the home authorities with the fact that they had totally mistaken present conditions in the island. His Excellency was anxious to continue in the public service in 1903, and he obtained Ceylon for a two or three years' spell. But he had served for 44 years, and from 1884 in the tropics, with the exception of a short period in Newfoundland. His power of initiative was already naturally spent, and it must be acknowledged that he erred in pressing for a postponement of the limit first set to his Ceylon term. He succeeded in obtaining an extension; and adverse circumstances have buffeted him ever since. Cheery and unaffected, Sir Henry's personal charm of manner and approachability will be long remembered, as will be the absorbing interest shown by Lady Blake in people and things belonging to the country. As typical we may mention that in the grounds of the Kotahena Buddhist Temple, over which the Siamese Prince-Priest presides, are two traveller's palms planted by their Excellencies, and affixed to them are name boards bearing respectively—and respectfully, let it be added—the words "Father Henry" and "Mother Edith." Strange irony that it was against the Governor, who found especial pleasure in his friendships with the people of the country, that the Ceylonese press have poured out the vials of its undiscriminating wrath for two out of his three and a half years in Ceylon. These nauseating features cannot at present be forgotten, concludes the paper, but as memories they will soon assume their proper insignificant proportions, leaving recollections of a veteran Governor, and his accomplished wife, whose good qualities had been exemplified, and many interests sustained in co-operation, during more than 30 years of life together.

A Vladivostok message to the *Asahi* states that the authorities in charge of the Vladivostok fortifications have applied to the St. Petersburg Military Council asking for a grant of 10,000,000 roubles towards the fund for the defence of the port.

LAME SHOULDER.

WHETHER resulting from a sprain or from rheumatic pains, there is nothing so good for a lame shoulder as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Apply it freely and rub the pain vigorously at each application, and a quick cure is certain. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

James Clark Hook, the well-known Royal Academician, is dead.

The dramatic author, James Davis, who wrote under the nom-de-plume of Owen Hall, is dead.

We are informed that an Open-air Concert, in aid of the Union Church Organ Fund, will be held on the Volunteer Parade Ground on Saturday, 11th May. If the night is wet the Concert will be held in the Drill Hall. Every one knows how enjoyable these Open-air Concerts are, and there should be a good attendance. Tickets can be had at Messrs Lane, Crawford and Co. or Messrs Moutrie and Co.

The will of the late Sir James Colquhoun, Bart., of Luss, has been registered in Edinburgh. He directs that his body shall be dressed for burial in full evening costume, and laid in plain oak coffin, so that those who cared for him during his life might see him for the last time. He makes over the family portraits to his successor, while the residue of his property goes to his widow.

Mr J. C. Dawson, of the Straits Trading Co., Ltd., had a narrow escape from drowning on April 17. Whilst he was stepping from a sampan on the jetty opposite Pulau Brani, a tongkang collided behind, and Mr Dawson was precipitated into the water. There is a very strong current at this point, but fortunately Mr Dawson was an able swimmer, and succeeded in reaching the jetty, where he was pulled up in an exhausted condition by a couple of Malays.

On the occasion of his departure to England, Dr Connolly, President of the Penak Anti-Opium Society, Ipoh, was, on the 14th inst., presented with a beautifully illuminated address, and embroidered silk scroll, bearing Chinese characters signifying longevity, happiness, and prosperity, and a gold medal by the Chinese community in commemoration of the good work he has done in connection with the anti-opium movement.

Rangoon papers announce the death of a very old resident of Burma, Mr John McCall. Mr McCall was at one time the head of the firm of Todd, Finlay and Co., of Rangoon and Maulmain. In 1886 at Mr McCall's invitation the leading Manipuri (thigaungs) (timber traders) visited Mandalay and were introduced to King Mindon, with a view to getting some of the Upper Burma forests to work. Up till a few years ago Mr McCall enjoyed excellent health in Burma, and when 70 years of age walked up the Thandaung hill, a distance of some thirteen miles.

Although singers and players of the "Scarlet Mysteries" combination have elected to adopt long flowing doaks and large brigand-like hats, with black dominoes, and subsequently appear in other fantastic disguises; they are no ordinary "masqueraders." Each member is an artist of established reputation, and exceptional ability and there is not one amongst them who is not of good social position. These attractive mysterious masked musicians have collectively and individually won reputations in England, and promise a performance which is described as "rare and ritting, pretty and popular." Suffice it to say that they include artists who have been associated with the Patti, Clara Butt, and Crossley-Harrison Toms, have appeared at the Queen's Hall, the Royal Albert Hall, and the Philharmonic Concerts, filled "star" engagements at the best Theatres of Variety, given recitals at the Queen's and St. James' Halls, London, and appeared by command before H. M. the King. To those familiar with theatrical and musical matters in England, this will be ample guarantee that an opportunity of hearing good talent is assured at the forthcoming performances of the "Scarlet mysteries."

The German Mail of the 27th March was delivered in London on the 24th April.

On the 18th instant, at about 7.30 p.m., fire broke out in the Tumei match factory at Mikawa-cho, Hiroshima, Japan. Nine buildings connected with the factory and eight private houses adjoining were totally destroyed before the fire was brought under control. The loss is roughly estimated at ¥6,000.

The average prices of coal at Moji on the 15th instant were ¥0.96 per ton for first class, ¥0.81 for second class, and ¥0.86 for third class, there having been no change since the 28th ultimo. The stocks of coal on the 15th instant amounted to 124,221 tons of lump, 124,731 tons of mixed, and 60,501 tons of dust, showing a total increase of 18,673 tons over the quantity on the 28th ultimo.

People eat 20 percent more bread when the weather is cold than when it is mild.

In many parts of France the coffin of a peasant woman is borne to the grave upon the shoulders of women.

In Russia an unmarried woman remains under the absolute sway of her parents until her death, regardless of her age.

INCAUTIOUS FRUIT EATING.

BOWEL complaint is always more or less prevalent

BY TELEGRAPH.

LABOUR TROUBLES.

The Woolwich Deputation.

The Premier's Reply.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay).

LONDON, April 24.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman (Premier) and the Rt. Hon. Mr. R. B. Haldane (Secretary of War) received the deputation of Woolwich workmen sympathetically.

The Premier expressed his deep regret that the necessity for discharging old servants and skilled workmen should have arisen, but his duty to the taxpayers obliged him to disregard personal considerations.

Sir Henry said he would do his best to provide work at the Woolwich Arsenal but there must still be further reductions.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

Back in England.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay).

LONDON, April 24.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and suite have returned to London, thus completing their tour to the Far East.

THE BUDGET.

Colonial Preference.

LONDON, April 23.

Mr. Asquith, in the debate on the budget, referring to fiscal matters, said it was impossible to give preference to all the colonies without taxing raw material as well as food.

He denied that the income tax was intended to remain at 10%.

HOME SPORTING.

The Great Metropolitan Stakes.

LONDON, April 23.

1. Fothering.
2. Turbine.
3. Royal dream.

The City and Suburbs.

LONDON, April 23.

4/1 against Dean Swift, 7/1 against Dabith, Kuroki, and Slavetov, 8/1 against Lario, 10/1 against Votely. [Last year Dean Swift won the City and Suburbs (14 miles), carrying 7st. 11lbs.—En. C.M.]

THE TOULON DOCK FIRE.

LONDON, April 23.

A fire has broken out at Toulon dockyard, destroying the workshops, the torpedo school, and several storerooms. The damage is estimated at several millions of francs. The cause is not known.

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

Britain's Representatives.

LONDON, April 23.

Mr. Runciman announced in the House of Commons that the British delegates to the Hague Conference are, Lord Leighton, Sir (Edward) Fry, Sir Ernest Scott, Sir Henry Howard, besides several naval and military experts.

[Of the four names given the best-known is the Right Hon. Sir Ernest Scott, who has been in the House of Commons since 1885. He needs little introduction to our readers, his residence in Bangkok, Tokyo and Peking having brought him into prominence in the Far East. Born in 1843 he was educated in Mill Hill School and University College, London. He took his B.A. degree in 1861, Doctor of Philosophy in 1870, and in 1871, M.A. in 1872. He entered the Japanese Consular service as student interpreter in 1871 and four years later was appointed interpreter. Thereafter his advancement was rapid. In 1888 he was Japanese Secretary to the British Legation; in 1884 he was Agent and Consul-General at Bangkok, being appointed Minister-Resident in the following year. Three years later he was in South America. Minister-Resident at Montevideo. Thence he went to Morocco as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary in 1893; back to Tokyo in 1895, then again to Peking as British Minister from 1900 until last year. All his publications deal with Japan—a handbook, dictionary, etc., as well as treatises on the Asiatic Society in Japan, the Missions, etc. He was knighted (K.C.M.G.) in 1895 and received his G.C.M.G. in 1902.]

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Lord-Danahy James Mackay (11th Baron), was born at The Hague on December 22, 1839, and succeeded his father in 1876. He was rector of St. Andrew's University from 1884 to 1890; Governor of Bombay from 1890 to 1894; Under-Secretary for India, 1894-1895; Chairman of London School Board 1897-1904; President of the University College, London. He was also legal assessor to the International Commission on the North Sea incident and is now Chairman of the Royal Commission on Trinity College, Dublin, and of the University of Dublin. His publications include:—

—Essays on the accordance of Christianity with Nature of Man, 1867; The Doctrine of election, an essay, 1864; A treatise on the specific performances of contracts, 1868, '91, '92 and 1903; British Mosses, 1892; James Mackay, 1899; and (in conjunction with Miss Agnes Fry) The Mycetozoa, 1899, and Studies by the Ways, 1900.

He is a Trustee of the Hunterian Museum, College of Surgeons; a member of the Historical MSS. Commission, and of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague, Alderman and Chairman of Quarter Sessions of the County of Somerset; was made a barrister in 1854; Queen's Counsel and Benchet of Lincoln's Inn in 1889; Judge of the High Court, Chancery Division from 1877 to 1883; Lord Justice of Appeal, 1883 to 1892; Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn 1892; presided over Royal Commission on the Irish Land Acts 1897 to 1898; was Chairman of the Court of Arbitration under the Metropolis Water Act 1902; and of Royal Asiatic Society and University College, London; and First President of the British Academy in 1902. He is a Knight Grand Commander of the Indian Empire and Knight Grand Commander of the Star of India. The degrees of LL.D. (Edin.), D. Litt. (Hon. Oxon.), have been gained by him and he is also a Privy Councillor.

The Right Hon. Sir Edward Fry, P.C., B.A., D.C.L., LL.D., F.R.S., F.S.A., F.L.S., is a most distinguished personage. He was born at Bristol in November, 1827, and educated at Bristol College, University College London (Fellow). He is also a fellow of the University of London, British Academy, and Balliol College (Oxford). Sir Henry Howard, K.C.M.G., C.B., though his diplomatic career has been a brilliant one, has not been before the public much. He was born in 1843, was an Attaché in the Diplomatic service in 1865; Third Secretary in 1869; Second Secretary in 1873; First Secretary in 1885; and Secretary to the Embassy in 1890. He was appointed Minister Plenipotentiary in 1894, and Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary in 1896. He has served in the United States of America, the Netherlands, Guatemala, Greece, Denmark, China, Russia and France. He has the Jubilee (1897) and Cornation (1902) medals. Since 1899 he has been British Minister at The Hague and Luxembourg, was knighted in 1899 and received the C.B. in 1874.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

EGYPT AND SELF GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, March 25.

The Khedive of Egypt, Abbas Hilmi, informs a French journalist that the Egyptians are highly intelligent people, and are quite capable of managing their own concerns. He denies that the national claims have assumed the form of an anti-foreign fanatic movement, and he repudiates any desire to become a despot. The Egyptians, the Khedive declares, are very fond of the French, and he has long been anxious to see them in the public departments skill under his control.

OUTRAGES IN MOROCCO.

LONDON, March 25.

Further accounts of the outrage at Marakesh show that a fanatic mob stoned the British Vice-Consul while that gentleman was defending his residence in which Europeans had taken refuge. The Vice-Consul shot one of the mob.

Frenchmen in Morocco accuse the Germans of having excited the Moors against the French. Enraged at Dr. Mauchamp's experiments in wireless telegraphy, the mob forced an entrance to the doctor's house, and stoned the unfortunate Frenchman to death. They also stoned the dead body repeatedly. The houses of several Europeans in Marakesh have been sacked by the Moors.

LONDON, March 28.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has heartily supported the action taken by M. Pichon, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, in occupying the Moroccan town of Ujda and demanding from the Sultan retribution for the murder of Dr. Mauchamp at Marakesh.

ALCOHOL ON TRIAL.

LONDON, March 28.

Sixteen leading medical men, including Sir Thomas McCall Anderson, Regius Professor of Medicine in the Glasgow University, and Dr. William D. Halliburton, Professor of Physiology in King's College, London, have published in the Lancet a manifesto declaring that in cases of disease alcohol is a rapid and trustworthy restorative, and its moderate use as an article of diet for adults is usually beneficial.

THE DRINK BILL.

LONDON, March 26.

The consumption of beer in the United Kingdom in 1906 was 272 gallons per head of the population compared with 283 gallons per head in 1899. The consumption of wines and spirits in 1906 also showed a considerable reduction compared with that for 1899.

LABOURITES AND MR. BURNS.

LONDON, March 28.

In the House of Commons yesterday Messrs Kair Hardie (Leader), W. Thorne, and J. R. Clynes, of the Independent Labour Party, denounced Mr. John Burns' administration of the Unemployed Act.

Mr. Burns retorted that Mr. Hardie was

pressing on two criminal workmen schemes that were wasteful, mischievous, and economically unsound. A threat by Mr. Burns to resign his portfolio provoked laughter.

MR. HARDIE'S BROTHER BASUTO.

LONDON, March 29.

Mr. Kair Hardie, speaking at a meeting of the Universal Brotherhood and Native Races' Association in London yesterday, urged the members of the Basuto deputation, now seeking the recognition of Basuto claims to certain lands in the Orange River Colony, that when they returned home they should agitate and brave the prison and even the gallows in order to gain their rights. If they sat down and waited for something to be done, that something would never be done.

INDIANS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, March 30.

At a mass meeting of Indians held at Johannesburg, it was decided to protest against the Asiatic Act which has just been passed by the Transvaal Parliament. The legislation was condemned as unnecessary and degrading to the Indian population. It was resolved to submit to voluntary registration if the offensive requirements of the Act were not insisted upon. On the other hand, if this offer to compromise were refused, it was agreed that an appeal should be made for Imperial protection.

THE BURDEN OF TAXATION.

LONDON, March 27.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. E. N. Bennett (Liberal) submitted a resolution declaring the necessity for readjustment of the burden of taxation in order to provide urgently needed social reforms. Mr. H. Asquith accepted both the spirit and the letter of the resolution. Mr. J. W. Hilla (Conservative) denied that the Ministerialists were able to finance their social programme under the free trade system. Mr. Bennett's resolution was agreed to.

GOVERNMENT MEASURES.

LONDON, March 26.

The Prime Minister, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, in a letter to Mr. J. T. Walters, Liberal M.P. for the Brightside Division of Sheffield, states that the Government will do its utmost to press forward the Small Holdings Bill and the Rural Housing Bill—two indispensable reform measures—and also the Scottish Land Bill which, he claims, to have a far-reaching effect in checking the exodus from the land. It is too much to expect, however, the Prime Minister declares, that the land system of England, Scotland, and Wales can be reformed in a single session of Parliament. There are, moreover, he adds, indications of a severe struggle on these questions in both Houses.

A COLLISION AT SEA.

Junk Cut in Two.

Chan Kwok Yan, master of a fishing boat, had a peculiar tale to tell yesterday, when he was rescued by another fishing boat. According to his story he, and the remaining five members of his crew, were on board his boat just off Wagon at the night of the 23rd. While engaged in trawling he noticed a large steamer, with two yellow funnels, bearing down upon him. He called out to give the alarm, but the oncoming steamer did not respond and his crew burnt candles and joss sticks to warn them of the danger. It was useless, however, and the steamer crashed into them, precipitating the crew of the fishing boat into the water. When the master of the boat came to the surface the only member of his crew that he saw was his aged father and he seized hold of him, intending to hold him until both were rescued. The collision with the steamer happened at eight p.m. and until three a.m. Chan held on to his father. Then nature gave out. He could no longer assist his father, and he let him go. That was the last Chan saw of his parent. Three hours later, at six a.m., Chan was picked up by another fishing boat and he was landed at Wagon Light-house, from where he made his way to Hongkong and reported the occurrence. He could not recognise the vessel which cut his boat in two, but he could say that it was a two funnel vessel and that both funnels were yellow in colour.

JAPANESE EVACUATION OF MANCHURIA.

Formal Intimation to China.

A Peking telegram states that the Japanese Representative there formally announced to the Waipupu on the morning of the 10th instant that all the Japanese forces had been removed from Manchuria with the exception of railway guards. The 15th of this month is the date conventionally fixed for the completion of the evacuation. It is stated to be the belief of Japanese officials that Russia will be in a position to make a similar intimation prior to the 15th instant.

With regard to the railway guards, the Japan Mail gathers from Japanese journals that the whole force now retained by Japan in Manchuria is one Division—the 14th, under Lieut.-General Sameshima—and three battalions of reservists. The former force was recently moved from Tieling to Liaoyang, which will be its headquarters hereafter, and the three battalions of reservists were sent over recently. This number of troops represents 10 men to every kilometre, which is 6 men less than the conventional fixed complement. The military authorities are quoted as saying that even the Independent Corps—that is the name given to the above three battalions, numbering in all 2,000 men—will not be regularly distributed along the line of railway. Such a method would interfere seriously with the training of the men. Therefore the plan pursued will be to post a minimum number of men—probably 7 or 8 per kilometre—as guards, and to keep the rest in a body at some convenient place whence their services can be conveniently made use of.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SUBSIDARY COIN EVIL.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—The correspondent whose remarks on the subsidiary coin question you published yesterday forgot two things. One is that the gold is not large enough to hold the immense numbers who would fail to pay a fine for tendering Chinese coin and the other is that it would not pay the Government to play a game of bluff.

Can he say (a) what would happen if people did demand standard coin for the subsidiary (b) how cost would be saved the Government if a rush took place (c) and how long it would take to work out the Chinese coin? Yours, etc.

BRUCE FARRINGHAM.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

Yesterday afternoon quite a number of games in the Tennis-Tournaments were played off, in the presence of a host of spectators. The most important matches were for the Professional Pairs, between Messrs R. Hancock and E. B. Fennell and Messrs Wei On and R. P. C. Master.

The first game was a struggle. Game for game went to each side until "two all," was called, then Mr. Master lost his service, the driving by Mr. Fennell and the smashing by Mr. Hancock being exceptionally telling. Mr. Hancock evened matters up by losing his next serve and "five all" was called with Mr. Master to serve. He won and the next game all but decided matters for Messrs Master and Wei On got to advantage. Then came the turning point of the game. Mr. Master, in attempting to drive, sent the ball into the net. That was deuce. Messrs Hancock and Fennell won the game and the next two, thus taking the set 6-0. The second set was a walk over for the shipping representatives, Messrs Master and Wei On winning one game—the sixth—only. The set ended 6-1.

A second game in the Professional Pairs, between Messrs E. J. Gist and G. A. Hastings and Messrs B. Johnston and L. N. Murphy resulted in an easy win for the first-mentioned pair, the score being 6-1, 6-0.

Only two games require to be played to complete the second round in this tournament. In the Double Handicap Messrs F. Maitland and B. Humphreys beat Messrs R. B. Beattie and L. J. Wishart, after two closely contested sets. Messrs Maitland and Humphreys won both, 6-4 and 8-6, though with the least bit of luck Messrs Beattie and Wishart would have won the second.

The very interesting game in the Single Handicap (A Class) took place between Messrs H. Hancock (over 30/2) and J. L. MacPherson (over 1/10). The latter started excellently and won the first three games while Mr. Hancock only scored four points. Mr. MacPherson played a consistently steady game and had his more experienced opponent continually on the move, enticing him up to the net and then tossing over his head. After his first set, which Mr. MacPherson won by 6-1, however, there came a change over the game and Mr. Hancock exhibited something more like his form and won by 6-3. His serves and placing, especially on the back line were not bad, and while Mr. MacPherson found the net a number of times and lost a good deal of his length. The third and final set also went to Mr. Hancock by 6 games to 2. Each player scored 15 games.

In the single Handicap (B Class) Mr. Preston (over 3/0) had a somewhat easy victory over Mr. W. S. Dupree (over 15/4), winning two sets by 6-2 and 6-3 respectively.

Athletics.

THE SCHOOLS' SPORTS.

The attention of members of the Army, Navy and Police is directed to the half-mile event open for them at the Hongkong Schools' Athletic meeting on Monday next.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 25th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen over Japan and the Leeches, and fallen on the E. coast of China.

The high pressure area still lies over Japan, and pressure appears to be slightly lower over Tongking and the N.W. part of the China Sea.

Moderate N.E. or variable winds will probably prevail in the Formosa Channel, and fresh E. winds over the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: E. winds, fresh; squally, some rain.
2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. or variable winds, moderate.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamma: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

The Dutch steamer "Tjilwong" from Amoy reports sighting a submerged wreck with broken mast showing—in latitude 27.4 and long. E. 121.39.

BEWARE OF A COUGH.

Now is the time to get rid of that cough, for if you let it hang on, you can't get it off and may be. Others have been cured of their coughs very quickly by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Why not you? Try it and you will be surprised at the quick relief which it affords. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

THE SINGAPORE MURDER.

Shot in the Back.

The Singapore Free Press gives the following account of the murder of Syed Abdulcadir bin Abdulrahman Alsagoff on April 17:—

The injured gentleman was holding an evening prayer meeting at his house No. 1 Bukit Timah Road, which is just a little beyond Monk's Hill, when the cowardly deed was committed. The party, comprising Syed Abdulcadir, Syed Mohamed, Syed Ali Wahid, Syed Hassan al Mahesh, Shaikh Mohamed Balhair, Shaikh Abdullah Baswadin and Syed Mohamed Tahar, all relatives or close friends of Abdulcadir, were sitting out on a downstairs verandah reading the Koran when suddenly there was a flash and a report and Abdulcadir who was sitting with his back to the verandah balustrade fell forward, exclaiming "I am shot." His friends lifted him up and found that he had a bullet wound in the back on the right side. He was quite conscious and after being supported a little while was helped upstairs to his bed. The wound was bleeding profusely and after it had been temporarily staunching Mr. Galloway was telephoned for. It was only during the wait for the doctor that those in the house thought of making a search for the miscreant who had fired the shot. The grounds were searched but the perpetrator of the deed had vanished. An examination showed that the revolver, it is apparent this and not a gun was used, was pointed through the verandah railing and from the position in which Syed Abdulcadir was sitting at the time the weapon must have been fired within a few feet of his back. There was a bright light on the verandah and this would have enabled the assassin to pick out his victim without trouble. The night was a dark one and that part of the house being shaded by trees he was enabled to slip up unseen. None of the injured gentleman's friends saw the weapon or the hand which held it and the flash out of the darkness was all they can speak to.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

The Opening Ceremony.

LONDON, April 18.

The procession of Colonial Premiers to the City was made in the order of seniority. Mr. Louis Botha, the Premier of the Transvaal, came last, and received a marked ovation from the crowds assembled in the streets. Botha has become the people's hero.

The proceedings at the conferment of the freedom of the City of London upon the Premiers was marked by the statelyst ceremony.

The Hon. Alfred Deakin, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, returned thanks on behalf of himself and his Colonial colleagues.

There was a most brilliant company assembled to witness the ceremony, including the Ministers of the Crown; the Archbishop of Canterbury, high officials and military and naval officers.

Immediately after being introduced to the Lord Mayor the Right Hon. Sir William Purdie Trevelyan, Botha was met by Lord Roberts on the dais. The two former antagonists in the field shook hands in the most impressive manner amid tumultuous cheering from the brilliant assembly.

Responding to the British Empire's speech proposing the health of the Colonial guests at the banquet held in the Guildhall after the ceremony, the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, G.C.M.G., Prime Minister of the Dominion of Canada, said the company assembled there had only to look round and see Dr. L. S. Jameson, Premier of Cape Colony, and Mr. Louis Botha, Premier of the Transvaal, sitting there together to find an answer to the question whether the Conference would be a failure or a success.

The return journey of the Premiers to the Hotel Cecil was marked by renewed ovations from the crowds who lined the streets from the Mansion House to the Strand.

The Times says that every day shows that the Colonial Conference is impressing itself more strongly on the people of Great Britain.

It is still more satisfactory to find that the visitors are moved by the same feelings.

Referring to the problem of the place of India and the Crown Colonies in the Imperial scheme, and the supposed indifference of the Colonies thereto, the Times suggests that Colonists be admitted to share in the administration of India and the dependencies.

This Conference has discussed its future constitution and the question of an Imperial Council.

A telegram received from Mr. Chamberlain reprobates the wishes of the Premiers and incidentally mentions that the Premier is progressing favourably.

This is in reply to a telegram from the Conference sympathising with him in his illness.

The following are attending the Conference:—The Right Hon. Sir W. Laurier, G.C.M.G. (Prime Minister), Lady Laurier, Mr. E. J. Lemaitre (Private Secretary), Hon. W. S. Fielding (Minister of Finance), Mrs. Fielding, Miss Edith and Miss Florence Fielding, Mr. R. B. Vies (Private Secretary), Miss Patterson, Mr. R. F. W. Borden, K.C.M.G. (Miss Borden, Mr. O. L. Panet (Private Secretary), Hon. L. F. Brodeur (Minister of Marine and Fisheries), Mme. Brodeur, Mr. R. A. Wallard (Private Secretary).

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA:—Hon. A. Deakin (Prime Minister), Mrs. Deakin, Mr. G. Athol Hunt (Secretary to Department of External Affairs), Hon. Sir W. Lyne (Minister of Customs), Mrs. Lyne, Dr. Wolleston (Permanent Head of Customs Department).

NEW ZEALAND:—Hon. Sir J. G. Ward (Prime Minister), Lady Ward, Miss Ward, Private Secretary.

CAPE COLONY:—Hon. L. S. Jameson, G.C.M.G. (Prime Minister), Mr. R. Schom (Private Secretary), Hon. Dr. Erasmus (Commissioner of Public Works), and Private Secretary.

NATAL:—Hon. F. R. Moor (Prime Minister), Miss Moor, Private Secretary.

NEWFOUNDLAND:—The Right Hon. Sir B. Bond, K.C.M.G. (Prime Minister).

TRANSVAAL:—General Botha (Prime Minister), Mr. F. W. Beyers (to act as Private Secretary and Interpreter), and two others.

OUR SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, March 23.

The Ms. of "Scots Wha Hae," in regard to which so much has been written of late, has been secured for Scotland. It is the second version of the song made at the suggestion of Thomson to suit the measure of "Laird Gordon." A "Mr. Maitland" bought the song at Sotheby's for £355. The rumor up in the contest was Mr. Brown, the well-known Edinburgh dealer, and he afterwards bought the Ms. from "Mr. Maitland" at a figure which has not been made public. It is understood that an effort will be made to secure the song for Burns' Cottage, where there now rests the poet's family Bible, which fetched £1500 in 1904, and which was subsequently sold to the trustees of the Cottage for £1700. The figure for "Scots Wha Hae" is not a record for a Burns' Ms., "The Cottar's Saturday Night" having made £500 in 1900. "To Mary on Heaven" fetched £152, and "The Whistle" £155.

Dundee has been shaken to its centre by some important municipal questions. It appears that the Lord Provost, when attending a funeral in his official capacity, wears one of the cocked hats which are generally identified with Field Marshals. The present Lord Provost is of opinion that these feathers are too gay, and do not betoken a sufficiently sympathetic attitude towards the "remains." It has therefore been agreed that a plain cocked hat be worn, and his Lordship undertakes that if the Council pays half of the cost he will hand down the head gear to the successor in the chair. The Bailies, also, have resolved that in future they will wear robes when presiding in the Police Court, in order that the errand D.D.'s may be more suitably impressed. Whatever may be thought of these reforms, the further resolution of the Magistrates to attend church once a month instead of only once a year cannot but be received with general satisfaction. It is distinctly a move in the right direction.

The Scottish Rugby players have this season carried off the Calcutta Cup with a lot to spare. In succession they have beaten South Africa, Wales, Ireland, and England, and must be reckoned one of the best international sides that have ever played, either that, or that the other countries are below the average, which can hardly be admitted. The fact that the Scotch 15 defeated the South Africans with comfort at a time when the Colonials were sweeping everything before them, supports the opinion that it is the merits of the Scotsmen and not the weakness of their opponents that has led them to clear the field. The team owed its success more to all-round ability than to exceptional excellence on the part of any one division or any particular member. At one time it seemed as if their goal line were not to be crossed this season, but in the last minutes of the game on Saturday, England managed to swarm across, and spoiled for them an interesting record.

This is how a local bard breaks out,—and his lines may not be scanned too closely, for "Rugger" men, and even "Sookers," are not usually adepts with the pen:—

Shamrock,
Springbok,
Out of the Hottentot land,
Blackheath,
Inverleith,
All the same to Scotland!

It is said that this rhyme is constructed on the football principle, "if you can't get the ball get the man."

For the truth of this tale there is the best authority. The hero of it was the Rev. John McNeil and the scene was an evangelist meeting in the Highlands. The "Stern Presbyterian" mind evidently did not wholly agree with evangelism, and the preacher's reception was somewhat chilly. His announcement of the opening hymn evoked a prompt rebuke from the preacher, who explained that they "sang no hymns here." Mr. McNeil proposed to substitute a paraphrase, but this, it appeared, was even more obnoxious. "Ah, well," said the preacher, "ye can just sing 'Loud hallelujahs' if ye like." The only mistake was that the hymn was wholly lost upon its victims, who sang the psalm with unabashed fervor.

A Strange Find.

On April 12 the police made three separate seizures of rifles, pistols and cartridges, totalling two hundred thousand, in Newcastle and Sunderland. The owners are supposed to be Russian revolutionaries. The police have since discovered further mysterious large consignments of arms and ammunition at Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Palm Toddy.

The Ayutthia district, a correspondent writes to the Bangkok Times, has for some time been developing a new industry in the manufacture and sale of palm toddy. In most places this is a small matter, not regarded by the law or the Spirit Farmer, but it has come to be quite a business in the Monthon to the north. Besides the drinking of the spirit led to too frequent fights. The authorities have now taken notice of the matter, and have forbidden the manufacture of the toddy without permission having been obtained.

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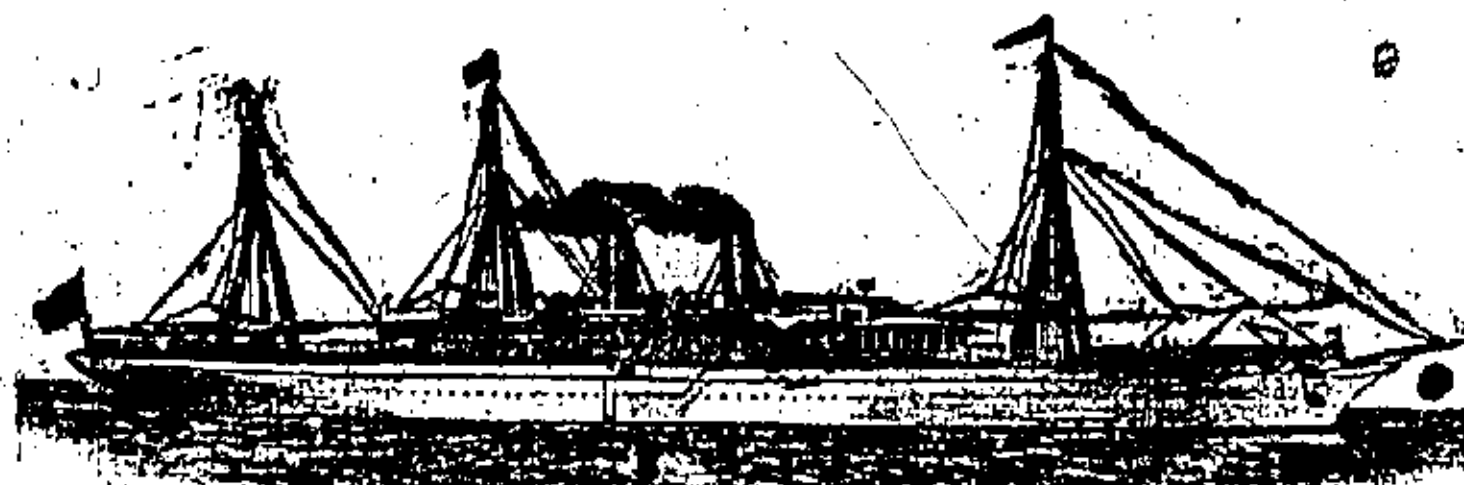
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LONDON, via UDAH PORT	ARCADIA	Now, 4th May	See Special Advertisement.
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EMPERESS OF INDIA	6000 Tons	THURSDAY, May 2	May 27
EMPERESS OF JAPAN	6163 Tons	FRIDAY, May 3	May 29
EMPERESS OF JAPAN	6000 Tons	THURSDAY, June 8	June 24
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	SANUKI MARU, Capt. S. J. G. Parsons, Tons 6112	WEDNESDAY, 1st May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.O. AND SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	TAMA MARU, Capt. C. H. Butler, Tons 6134	WEDNESDAY, 15th May, at Daylight.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE AND PERTH.	KAGA MARU, Capt. F. E. Coys, Tons 6301	TUESDAY, 30th May, at 4 p.m.
ROBE AND YOKOHAMA.	TOSA MARU, Capt. K. Kato, Tons 5823	TUESDAY, 14th May, at 4 p.m.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, MADRAS AND COLOMBO.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. E. W. Hewitt, Tons 5538	FRIDAY, 17th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Matsumoto, Tons 578	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
	HITACHI MARU, Capt. Wm. Townsend, Tons 6700	SATURDAY, 4th May, a.m.
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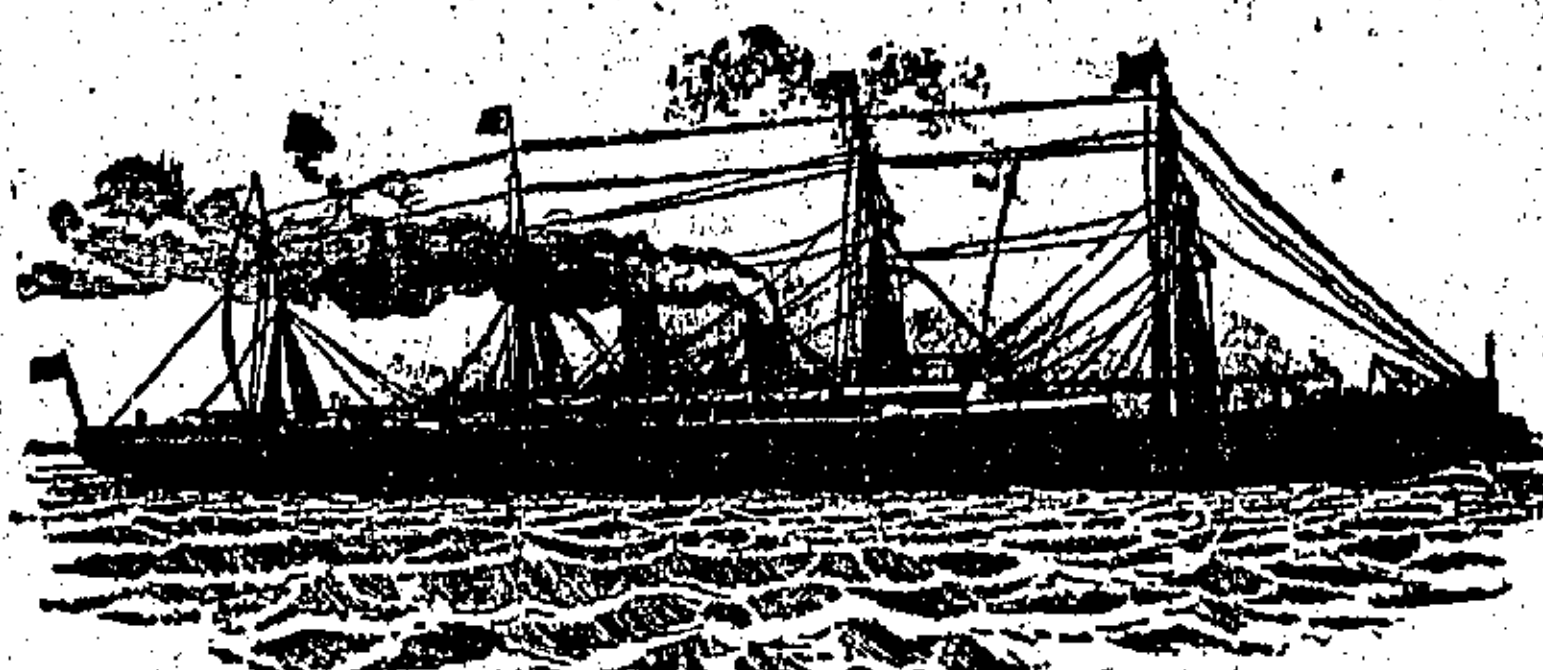
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	April 27, at 3 p.m.
CHINKIANG	CHINKIANG	May 1, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	CHINKIANG	May 2, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & HONGKONG	YINGCHOW	May 2, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	KUANGIANG	May 4, at 4 p.m.
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Hongkong, April 13, 1907.

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THE Steamship SUI-SANG will be despatched for SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO, via MOJOI, JAPAN, on SATURDAY, May 4th, 1907, at 5 p.m.

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DELHI.....8000	May 18	INDIA.....8000	June 15	June 22
MAHA.....8000	June 1	MONGOLIA.....8000	June 29	July 6
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DELTA.....8000	July 27	MADEIRA.....10500	Aug. 25	Sept. 1
DELHI.....8000	Aug. 10	HIMALAYA.....6900	Sept. 8	Sept. 15
ARCADIA.....7000	Aug. 24	MOLDAVIA.....9500	Sept. 22	Sept. 29
MAHA.....8000	Sept. 7	INDIA.....8000	Oct. 6	Oct. 13
MAHA.....8000	Sept. 21	MONGOLIA.....9500	Oct. 20	Oct. 27
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From Kowloon, &c. ex s.s. Malacca.

Optional goods will be landed here unless

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before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 24th inst.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by

the Company.

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Godowns for examination by the Con-

signee's and the Co.'s representative at an

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sented within ten days of the steamer's

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, April 23, 1907.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional goods will be landed here unless

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before 11th May, or they will not be

recognized.

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are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 28th April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, April 23, 1907.

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MURDER OF A MAHARAJA.

Mysterious Tragedy in an Indian

Village.

CALCUTTA, April 3.

A Bangalore telegram dated yesterday

says that the Maharaja Karbalaiah Namin

Singh, C.I.E., Sonbarsa, has been shot

dead at a camp ten miles south of Mad-

hapura by some unknown hand. The

District Magistrate with the District

Superintendent and the Civil Surgeon have

gone to enquire. The Maharaja leaves no

sons but daughters.

A Statesman reporter, who visited the

district where the Maharaja of Sonbarsa

was murdered, writes that Bhagalore during

the past four months has been the

scene of several undetected crimes.

In one instance an eight year old boy of a

good family was murdered in broad day-

light. Three other murders also are un-

detected. In another case a head constable

of the Reserve Police was involved in a

mysterious assault affair, for which he

declined to give any motive. The law-

lessness in the district causes considerable

alarm to the inhabitants.

SONBARSA, April 4.

The tragic murder of the Maharaja

Bahadur Sir Harbalaiah Narayan Singh,

K.C.I.E., occurred at a raj village camp

some twelve miles north of Sonbarsa.

On the first instant the Maharaja was in

the best of health and ready to start for

Sonbarsa the following morning. He had

returned from an evening drive and was

walking outside his tent when shortly after

7 p.m. or a little later a loud report of a

gun was heard. Two personal attendants

were at once on the scene and raised a cry

of murder. A crowd assembled instantly.

The Maharaja was bleeding profusely from

two wounds just above the elbows, the bullets

having passed through the abdomen and

out at the other side. It is believed the

Maharaja was fired at from close quarters

and with explosive bullets. The act was

committed practically in the midst of the

village and his own retinue, and it is

marvellous that nobody seems even to have

seen the murderer.

In spite of his fatal wounds the Maha-

raja was conscious enough to scribble down

a few words naming his youngest

grandson, the Maharaja Kumar Rudra

Parth Singh, as his successor. He passed

away within an hour of the occurrence

before medical help was available from

Madhipura or even those near and near to

him were able to be by his side. The

solemn and imposing ceremony of cre-

mation took place the following afternoon.

The Subdivisional Officer of Madhipura

was seen on the scene and the District

Superintendent of Police arrived. A

vigorous enquiry is going on, but no clue

has yet been found.

CALCUTTA, April

Further particulars show that the late

Maharaja of Sonbarsa had for some time

past been expecting that an attempt would

be made upon his life. He was in the

habit of collecting his revenue in person,

and when the tragedy took place he had

been on a tour which had yielded Rs.

30,000. It has not yet been ascertained

whether any of this money has disappeared,

but it is satisfactory to be assured that the

greater portion of it at all events is intact.

A Bangalore telegram dated to-day

says: The District Magistrate and Civil

Surgeon returned from Sonbarsa yesterday

deputing an officer of the Criminal In-

vestigation Department to conduct the inquiry.

No clue to the murderer has yet been

found. Ten caddis have been requisition-

ed to guard the properties of the Maharaja.

The Deputy Inspector General of Police

has arrived and proceeds to-night to Son-

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